

# Rosh Pina Congregation

HIGH HOLY DAY EDITION



123 Matheson Avenue, Winnipeg 4, Manitoba

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## High Holy Day Services

### ROSH HASHANA

Monday, September 27	at 6:00 p.m.
Tuesday, September 28	at 7:30 a.m.
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Wednesday, September 29	at 7:30 a.m.

### SHABBAT SHUVAH

Friday, October 1	at 5:45 p.m.
Saturday, October 2	at 9:00 a.m.

### YOM KIPPUR

Wednesday, October 6	at 5:40 p.m.
Thursday, October 7	at 8:00 a.m.

### ROSH HASHANA SERVICES

Rosh Hashana evening services will commence at 6:00 p.m. on Monday and Tuesday evening, September 27th and 28th. Morning services will begin at 7:30 a.m. on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings, September 28th and 29th. This year we are again fortunate in having as our Baal Shachrit, Mr. Morris Spigelman.

We look forward to the same excellent co-operation at this year's services as we received last year. A group of able ushers will be in charge of arrangements.



### YOM KIPPUR SERVICE

The evening service of Yom Kippur will begin at 5:40 p.m. on Wednesday evening, October 6th. Morning Services on Yom Kippur will commence at 8:00 a.m.

*The late date on which Yom Kippur falls this year means that Kol Nidrei will be chanted at an early hour. We would therefore urge that all Jewish business establishments arrange to close at a time which would permit for prompt attendance at Yom Kippur Eve Services.*



### SUKKOT SERVICES

The Sukkot services will be conducted Monday and Tuesday evenings, October 11th and 12th at 5:30 p.m. and on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings, October 12th and 13th at 8:00 a.m.

### JUNIOR CONGREGATION SERVICES HIGH HOLY DAYS

Junior Congregation Services will be held in the mornings on both days of Rosh Hashana and on Yom Kippur. All services will be held in the Junior Auditorium. Children of Grades One and Two of the Rosh Pina Hebrew School and all other children six to nine years old will meet from 9:15 to 10:15 a.m. Children of Grades Three, Four and Five, and all other children ten to twelve years old will meet from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. High School children and all children thirteen years old and over will meet from 11:30 to 12:30 p.m.

## ROSH PINA CONGREGATION

123 Matheson Avenue  
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Rabbi . . . . . Arthur A. Chiel  
Cantor . . . . . Jacob Kaussevitsky  
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### RABBI'S MESSAGE . . .

Our Jewish New Year is referred to by either of two designations—*Rosh Hashana* or *Yom Hazikaron*. Each of these names conveys a separate mood. Rosh Hashana, the New Year, conveys a feeling of relief, of joy. The old year with its problems and perplexities is gone by, the year ahead will hopefully be a happier one, a pleasanter year. Yom Hazikaron, the Day of Remembrance, sets the sombre and serious note of the Holy Days. We recall the realities of the past. We remember those who have, alas, left our midst in the past twelve months. We know of many hopes and expectations unfulfilled.

Is there a contradiction in these classifications? Not necessarily. Rosh Hashana and Yom Hazikaron actually complement each other. The process of remembering is integral to a proper planning for the future. Memory establishes for us continuity. How else could one generation learn from another? Memory gives meaning to our very existence. On the one hand, by remembering, we are enabled to evaluate ourselves in the light of standards and achievements of the past and on the other hand we gain confidence for the future. Experience of the past and the remembering thereof offers us assurance for the future.

Thus with Yom Hazikaron for guidance and Rosh Hashana for faith, hope and optimism, we pray that it be God's will that the year ahead be unto us and unto all people, a year of plenty, a year of blessings, a year of abundance, a year of happy life, a year in which His mercies shall be moved toward us, a year of peace and tranquility in which He will set a blessing upon the work of our hands.

On behalf of Mrs. Chiel, Deborah, Daniel, Naomi, David and myself, I extend to all of the Rosh Pina membership our good wishes for a joyful and prosperous year.

## Prayer For The New Year

All the world shall come to serve Thee

And bless Thy glorious Name,  
And Thy righteousness triumphant  
The islands shall acclaim.  
And the peoples shall go seeking  
Who knew Thee not before,  
And the ends of earth shall praise Thee,  
And tell Thy greatness a'er.

They shall build for Thee their altars,  
Their idols overthrown,  
And their graven gods shall shame them,

As they turn to Thee alone.  
They shall worship Thee at sunrise,  
And feel Thy Kingdom's might,  
And impart their understanding  
To those astray in night.

They shall testify Thy greatness,  
And of Thy power speak,  
And extol Thee, shrined, uplifted  
Beyond man's highest peak.  
And with reverential homage,  
Of love and wonder born,  
With the ruler's crown of beauty  
Thy head they shall adorn.

With the coming of Thy Kingdom  
The hills shall break into song,  
And the islands laugh exultant  
That they to God belong.  
And all their congregations  
Shall laud Thy praise shall sing,  
That the uttermost peoples, hearing,  
Shall hail Thee crowned King.

The above poem, written more than 1200 years ago by an unknown author, is remarkable for its universalistic outlook. This is particularly noteworthy since the Middle Ages when the poem was written were marked largely by intolerance, prejudice, and violence.

### THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE HIGH HOLY DAYS

One cannot render full justice to the problem of explaining the meaning and message of the High Holy Days without noting the marked contrast between them and our other Jewish festivals. All the other Holy Days are intimately associated with

some phase of Israel's career as a people. They are therefore particularistic in their appeal and emphasis.

Passover marks the birth of Israel's nationhood. Shavuot commemorates the traditional day of our consecration to the Torah; and Succoth is reminiscent of our schooling in the desert. Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur, however, are not related to any particular event in Israel's past. They are more linked up with the hopes, the aspirations and the destiny of mankind. On these solemn days, Israel prays not only for its own welfare but for the well-being of all men. An examination of the liturgy of Rosh Hashana reveals to us the broad, all-embracing universalism of our solemn Holy Days. Read your "machzor" carefully, and you will be inspired with the thought that centuries ago, when jealousy, rancor and selfish interest marked the outlook of other peoples, Israel spoke of "the birthday of the world" and prayed that "All nations may form one band to perform God's will with a perfect heart."

In the main, the prayers declare Rosh Hashana to be a Day of Judgment on which the Ruler of the Universe summons all men before His tribunal of Justice to give account of their doings. Some are so righteous as to deserve to have their names inscribed in the Book of Life. Others are so perverse as to be fit for the roster in the Book of Death. Most people belong to the average type which can still be won over to abundant life through a sincere change in their mode of living. Making proper allowance for the figurative language used by our rabbis, we can at this time learn one great lesson from their portrayal. Other religions postpone the Day of Judgment till death overtakes us, when we may be the least prepared, and our life stands condemned as an irreparable failure. Judaism teaches that throughout our lifetime, we should set aside certain days for periodic self-analysis and self-examination so as to rouse our conscience to pursue the paths of righteousness and truth.

### GREETINGS FROM ROSH PINA EXECUTIVE

On behalf of the Executive Officers and the Board of Directors of Rosh Pina Congregation I extend to all of you our best wishes for the New Year. May it bring to you and your family—health, happiness, peace and prosperity. May the year 5715 see your hopes fulfilled, and may it be rich in the successful accomplishment of your highest aims.

Harry Silverberg, President.



## OBSERVING THE HIGH HOLY DAYS IN YOUR HOME

The High Holy Day season extends throughout the ten-day period beginning with Rosh Hashana and ending with Yom Kippur. They are days designed to prompt the Jew to serious self-examination.

Both Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur are observed primarily within the four walls of the synagogue. There are, however, a number of fine home ceremonies associated with them which are worth noting:

**SPECIAL FOODS:** Symbolically, honey has become the special delicacy on the Rosh Hashana table. The New Year is to start with a sweet taste in our mouths. Hence, the bread that is blessed at the beginning of the evening meal is dipped in honey before it is eaten. Moreover, sweets of all kinds are in style on Rosh Hashana.

**THE TABLE:** The Rosh Hashana table is set precisely as is the Sabbath table, with kiddush cup, challah, candles and candlesticks, special challah cloths, and a dish with honey, in addition, given a prominent place on the table.

**BLESSING OVER BREAD:** After the lighting of the candles, with the appropriate blessings, kiddush is chanted. Father then breaks bread, passes a piece to each person present, which is dipped in honey before it is eaten.

**GRACE AFTER DINNER:** The Holy Day meal is served. When it is over, father remains seated and recites the following with the family:

"Bo-ruch A-toh A-do-noy Ha-zon Es Ha-kol."

"We praise Thee, our Lord, who in kindness sustainest the world."

The following may also be added:

"O Lord, Thou art our Shepherd and we shall not want. We thank Thee for the gifts of Thy bounty which we have enjoyed at this table. As Thou hast provided us in the past, so mayest Thou sustain us throughout our lives. We put our trust in Thee. May our table be an altar of loving kindness and our home a Temple in which Thy spirit of goodness abides. —Amen."

### PARKING FACILITIES

The Rosh Pina has provided a large and ample parking lot to the rear of the synagogue. Parking in the synagogue driveway or the driveway of the youth centre is strictly forbidden.



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*New Year Greetings  
and all good wishes.*



### DECORUM IN THE SYNAGOGUE

In order that we continue our services on the same high level already established, we ask the congregation to co-operate in the following fashion:

1. Co-operate with the ushers at the door by showing your tickets. It is impossible for the ushers to know all members who have purchased seats and therefore they can only admit those who display their tickets.
2. Get to the synagogue in time for the full service, thereby getting the personal satisfaction of full participation, and in no way disappointing your fellow congregant.
3. Do not wander about in the main lobby. If you wish to talk to your friends, please step outside the synagogue. This will prevent any disturbance of the services inside the synagogue and will facilitate people's coming and departure.
4. The ushers have been instructed to admit people into the synagogue only at such times as when the

sanctity of prayers will not be disturbed; please co-operate with them in this necessary procedure. Further in this matter, we also ask your co-operation in not going back and forth into the synagogue.

5. There will be no seats provided for children unless the member has actually purchased a seat for the child. Junior Services will be conducted for children in the Junior Auditorium.
6. Please remember that every seat in our synagogue is reserved for one person only, and therefore we can't extend hospitality to any of your relatives and friends much as we should like to.
7. Each member is requested to bring a yarmulke (skull cap), and to leave his hat in the cloak room. Women should wear hats.
8. If you wish to have any of your family memorialized at the Yizkor Service on Yom Kippur Day, send in the name or names of those to be remembered.
9. The schedule of services is to be found on the first page of this bulletin.
10. We request of you your sincere co-operation. If any problems or questions should confront you, consult the ushers who have been appointed to service the congregation in the best possible fashion.

Once again we should like to stress the importance of maintaining the sanctity and decorum in the synagogue through your co-operation.



### TORAH ALIYAHs

Rosh Pina has chosen a most democratic method for selecting people for aliyahs for the High Holy Days. All members' names are placed in a box and lots drawn for aliyahs, and they are then notified by letter. Each year by the same method new people are selected. In this way over a period of years all our members will have an opportunity to be honored with an aliyah.

*In particular we should like to urge all members who have been chosen for aliyahs to be present at the services on time.*

## Rosh Pina Gift Shop

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## CHILDREN AND HOLIDAYS

Help your children observe the holidays. Time and again, Rabbi Chiel has been deluged by the question, "Shall our children attend synagogue on this or that day?"

For your convenience, we list the following holidays in 1954 and 1955 on which we urge your children be kept home from public school—but more important, that they be sent to synagogue.

Only by sending them to synagogue can the services of the Holy Days be brought home to them.

Rosh Hashana—Sept. 28 and 29.

Yom Kippur—October 7.

Succoth—October 12 and 13.

Shemini Atzeret—October 19.

Simchat Torah—October 20.

Passover—April 7 and 8,

April 13 and 14.

Shevuoth—May 27 and 28.



## GREETINGS FROM THE STAFF

At the beginning of the New Year the Rosh Pina staff:

Rev. Jacob Koussevitsky—Cantor

Mrs. Sara Udow—Choir Director

Mr. Yechiel Lander—Executive Director

Mrs. Nellie Brodovsky—Kindergarten Directress

Mr. Jack Horowitz—Head Teacher

Mr. Norman Stein—Teacher

Mr. Ben Zion Bendel—Teacher

Mrs. Yael Sures—Teacher

Miss Ruby Rosenheck—Secretary

Miss Eva Vernon—Secretary

Mr. Zev Unger—Building Supt.

Mr. Abraham Gutnick—Sexton

Mr. Zelig Epstein—Reader

Wish to extend their sincerest greetings to the Rosh Pina congregation.



## SCHOOL NOTES

The progress made by our Hebrew School during its first two years of existence continues. This year, its third, our school enrollment has expanded to over two hundred pupils with an additional forty in our kindergarten. An ambitious High School program has also been launched with an enrollment of over fifty students. Aside from their regular studies the students will participate in a wide variety of extra-curricular activities designed to give the students more

opportunity for self-expression and to strengthen their attachment to the synagogue.

The kindergarten will once again be under the able supervision of Mrs. Nellie Brodovsky, and Mr. Jack Horowitz continues as Head Teacher of our Hebrew School. Our very capable Hebrew School staff consists of Mr. Norman Stein, Mrs. Yael Sures and Mr. Ben Zion Bendel. Mr. Bendel, who is a new addition to our staff, comes to us after long experience as a Hebrew teacher and after ten years as principal of the Regina Hebrew School. Our staff is supplemented by Rabbi Chiel, Mrs. Chiel and Mrs. J. J. Lander.

This year we have also established a Hebrew School office. Should you desire any information regarding Hebrew School, call the school office directly, at 56-6202.



## Around The Synagogue . . .

For some time we have been disturbed by the lack of a proper setting for our thriving Junior Congregations. The children have had to make use of makeshift arrangements. Now, due to the generosity of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Markson, we shall have a proper setting in which our children may hold their services. This gift is being given in honor of the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Markson's daughter, Beverley, to Mr. Leon Levine, an event of November. The new chapel which should be ready for the High Holidays will be a miniature of our own chapel.

A second gift which is proving of ever increasing popularity is a television set contributed to the synagogue by Messrs. Alex and Leon Cham, and which helps to brighten the hours of our elderly minyan people.



## Girl Guides and Boy Scouts Resume Activities

Over the past two years Rosh Pina has developed one of the finest Girl Guide and Boy Scout organizations in Winnipeg. We have found that this program integrates perfectly with the general social and spiritual objectives of the synagogue. Membership in these groups can be a very worthwhile experience for any young boy or girl. Girl Guides and Boy Scouts meet Tuesdays at 7:45 p.m., while the Brownies and Cubs meet Sundays at 2:30 p.m.

## Rosh Pina Memorial Park

One of the most active synagogue committees in recent times has been the Memorial Park Committee. After being given a mandate by the general membership at a meeting held last March the committee proceeded in its work to purchase and develop the necessary land and to solicit the necessary funds. Good progress has been made in this work and shortly a report will be made to the general membership. In its work the committee has been guided by the principle that our Memorial Park must be both a tribute to the beloved departed and an inspiration to the living. In planning the park the committee has kept in mind that a final resting place should be beautiful . . . that it should offer comfort and strength to those who seek its help and that it should be a tranquil lovely garden, depicting not death but . . . Eternal life.

The committee has made use of the best professional consultants available in conducting its work. Shortly a detailed brochure will be issued which will carry specific details on the Memorial Park.



## Regular Daily and Sabbath

### Service Calendar

Daily services are held in the Chapel at 7:45 a.m. and on Sundays at 9 a.m. Evening services are held at sunset; for the exact hour consult your local Anglo-Jewish newspaper, or call the synagogue office. Sabbath services are held at sunset, Friday evening, and 9 a.m. Sabbath morning. *Late Friday evening services will begin on Friday, October 15.*



## THE MEMORY OF DEAR ONES

Since we all rightfully treasure the memory of our dear departed ones, the Rosh Pina suggests yet another meaningful way in which to perpetuate their memory. Through the synagogue office you may arrange for memorial plaques which will be placed on the beautiful tablets in the synagogue lobbies. At this time of the year, when the memory of our dear ones is uppermost in our minds, we suggest that you arrange for a memorial plaque.